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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	Hartmut Boche
Serial No. 09/625,792	Filing Date: July 26, 2000
Title of Application:	Medical Instrument With A Non-Contact Readable Data Carrier
Confirmation No. 8313	Group Art Unit: 3764
Examiner	Denise M. Pothier

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Response Transmittal and Petition For Time Extension (37 CFR 1.136[A])

Dear Sir:

- 1. This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total period of one month to respond to the Office Letter mailed on January 14, 2003.
- 2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.
- 3. Calculation of extension fee (37 CFR 1.17). \$110.00 Extension Fee is due with this request.
- 4. Fee Payment. Attached is a check in the sum of \$110.00. This is also a petition and a request to charge to Account No. 19-4516 for any additional extension and/or fee as may be required or credit for any excess fee paid.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Response to Official Action

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action of January 14, 2003, Applicant submits the following Amendment and Remarks.

Amendment Revisions

Please amend the specification and the claims as indicated in the following pages.

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